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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Chiang et al.

Title:

FLUORESCENCE ENERGY

TRANSFER BY COMPETITIVE

HYBRIDIZATION

Appl. No.:

09/031,087

Filing Date:

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Examiner:

Tung, Joyce

Art Unit:

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [X] Response to Office action (13 pages).
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages).
- [X] PTO/SB08 Form (1 page).
- [X] Four (4) References (A3-A6).
- [X] Credit Card Payment Form.
- [X] Return Postcard.

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[] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Additional Claims Fee
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Total Claims:	19	-	20	=	0	X	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	1	-	3	=	0	x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
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[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00	\$0.00
EXTENSION	FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
[] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00
CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER	FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract	ct ½ of above):	\$0.00
[X] IDS Fee in Accordance with 37 C.F	F.R. § 1.17(p):	\$180.00
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 22, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this document.